

Jimmy's big match

JIMMY Jacobs will miss Wycombe's FA Trophy visit to Sutton United on Saturday as he is getting married.

Because of this manager Mike Keen left the 20 year old mid-field player out of the side at Leytonstone on Saturday, bringing back Bob Dell.

There is still doubt about defender Keith Mead, whose calf injury has been causing problems, but with Phil Bycroft making an excellent impression on his debut, Wanderers have a ready made replacement.

Wycombe complete their preparation with a friendly at home to Hillingdon Borough, of the Southern League, tonight (Tuesday).

Fans wishing to travel by coach to Sutton will be pleased to note that tickets will be on sale at Loakes Park on Thursday from 7-9pm.



BERGER ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Slough	29	17	9	3	44	23	57
Wycombe	31	16	7	8	55	36	55
Enfield	30	15	8	7	58	35	53
Harrow	30	15	6	9	47	31	51
Sutton	29	14	9	6	54	40	51
Bromley	31	13	8	10	51	49	47
Dagenham	31	12	9	10	57	50	45
Leytonstone	28	12	7	9	49	40	43
Dulwich	30	11	10	9	47	41	43
Barking	35	11	10	14	48	58	41
Staines	31	11	7	13	41	43	40
Hayes	29	12	4	13	26	38	40
Camberley	29	11	3	16	40	56	36
Tooting	31	10	5	16	33	40	35
Woking	31	10	4	17	33	49	34
Waltham	29	10	4	15	31	45	34
Leathhead	31	7	12	12	23	34	33
Croydon	27	6	14	7	25	24	32
Harlow	28	7	11	10	33	41	32
Boreham Wtd	29	8	9	13	36	49	32
Hitchin	26	7	8	11	34	34	29
Hendon	28	7	7	14	34	46	28

* 2 points deducted.

WYCOMBE lifted themselves into second place in the Berger Isthmian League with an efficient performance which was well worth three points at Leytonstone and Ilford on Saturday.

Terry Scott's goal in the second half was all that separated the teams at the end of a fine 90 minutes, notable for a solid debut from Phil Bycroft at centre back, for the Wanderers.

He was playing in place of the injured Keith Mead, and in time could make the position his own. He barely put a foot, or head, wrong. And in one instance saved what would probably have ended with a goal. In the 31st minute Terry Harris burst into the Wycombe area and as he was about to shoot Bycroft extended his right leg and sent the ball away for a throw-in with a brilliantly timed tackle.

SCOTT TAKES BLUES BACK TO SECOND!

By MIKE ALLEN Leytonstone/Ilford 0, Wycombe 1

The first half, despite not producing any goals, was a well contested 45 minutes with both teams putting together some fine moves. Early in the match Terry Glynn took the ball on a run from half-way, and after several fortuitous bounces of the ball shot just wide from inside the area.

Then a Glynn cross just evaded Bob Dell and a Scott header was directed into the arms of the keeper. Just before the interval Steve Long rose well to a cross which was finally headed away for a corner by Dave Jaques.

Anxious

The Wycombe defence were also given some worrying moments. Apart from Bycroft's saving tackle, Lester had to save a shot from John Borland, one of the two scorers on the clubs' first meeting this season, following a neat back-flick from Dingwall.

There was also an anxious moment for the Wycombe side when goalkeeper Gary Lester received a knock on the head going for an awkward backpass. He had to receive a couple of minutes treatment, but did

not appear to be fully recovered until after the interval.

Within two minutes of the restart Lester was forced into making a fine save when he beat the defence to a through ball but his shot went wide as the defence closed in on him and tried to push him off the ball.

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Booked

Howard Kennedy could have put the result beyond doubt, but Scott's cross just evaded him, having also beaten the keeper.

George Borg, who lists Leytonstone as a former club, found his way into the

beat a defender and put the ball past Dave Mallett in goal from a narrow angle.

Scott almost added a second before the end when he beat the defence to a through ball but his shot went wide as the defence closed in on him and tried to push him off the ball.

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referee's book once again. The incident happened late in the first half when Leytonstone's Jacques was booked for pulling Scott's shirt.

From the poorly taken free kick the Cranleigh Road team broke upfield and Borg tripped Micky Dingwall as he made a bee-line for the bye-line.

The man of the match for Wycombe was probably Mick Holifield. He chased for everything; was back in defence when needed and added an extra player to the attack. His running was second to none.

LEYTONSTONE: D. Mallett, D. Jacques, K. Haydrien, J. Muller, M. McCayne, D. Wells, M. Dingwall, J. Borland, T. Harris (sub S. Scott 74 mins), P. Powell, N. Fox.

WYCOMBE: G. Lester, P. Birdseye, G. Borg, B. Davies, P. Bycroft, B. Dell, S. Long, H. Kennedy, T. Glynn, T. Scott, M. Holifield. Sub: G. Toll (not used).

REFEREE: Mr E. Day (Ilford).